

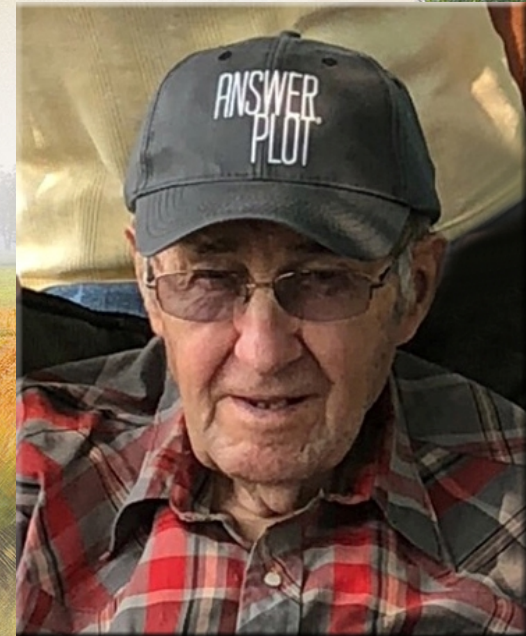
Jesus
said unto her, I am the resurrection
& the
Life:

he that believeth in me,
though he were dead,
yet he shall live: and whosoever liveth &

Believeth

in me, though he were dead,
yet shall he live: and whosoever
liveth & believeth in me shall NEVER die.

- *John 11:25-26*



In Loving Memory of

David E. Gehrke

October 15, 1936 - October 2, 2023

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Funeral Service

Friday, October 6, 2023 - 10:30 AM

St. John Lutheran Church

Luverne, Minnesota

Officiating

Rev. Dr. Phil Booe

Scripture

I Corinthians 15:50-58

Job 19:21-27

John 10:1-10

Organist

Jane Cote

Congregational Hymns

"Lift High The Cross" - Hymn #837

"Beautiful Savior" - Hymn #537

"I Know That My Redeemer Lives" - Hymn #461

Casket Bearers

Jerry Schneekloth

Brad Schneekloth

Peter Jessen

Wayne Uilk

John Cronberg

Elwayne Petersen

Interment

Maplewood Cemetery

Luverne, Minnesota

Following the committal service, friends are invited to join the family for food and sharing in the church fellowship hall.

Arrangements By

HARTQUIST FUNERAL HOME

David Emil Gerhke was born on October 15, 1936 to Walter and Ella (Kelm) Gehrke in Luverne, Minnesota. He was raised on a small farm north of Beaver Creek, Minnesota, a farm he would call home for most of his life. He attended Beaver Creek public school through the eighth grade and then helped his parents work the farm. When he was old enough, David joined the National Guard, but continued to care for the land. David was united in marriage to Lucille Kitchenmaster on September 19, 1971 at St. John Lutheran Church in Luverne. Lucille helped David take care of the farm and the couple led a very quiet, very happy life until Lucille's untimely death in 1990. David continued doing what he loved best, farming, until his retirement in May 2018. After he had a fall, David moved off of the farm and into Poplar Creek living facility in Luverne and then to the Good Samaritan Society - Mary Jane Brown Home in September 2022. On October 2, 2023, David joyfully joined his wife, Lucille, in the arms of their Savior Jesus Christ at the age of 86 years, 11 months, and 18 days.

David was a quiet man who enjoyed his simple, quiet life. He loved farming and fishing, especially when he was able to do that with his wife, Lucille. David was a lifelong member of the St. John Lutheran Church. He is also remembered for his jokes and laughter, and enjoyed sharing his love for International Tractors with all his John Deere loving friends.

David is lovingly remembered by his sisters, Carol Jueneman of New Hope, Minnesota, and Lois Harberts of Rushmore, Minnesota; brother-in-law, Robert (Mary) Kitchenmaster of Mankato, Minnesota; Goddaughter, Lori Rehnblom of Brainerd, Minnesota; aunt, Phyllis Kelm of Garretson, South Dakota; as well as many beloved nieces, nephews, cousins, family, and friends. He was preceded in death by his wife, Lucille; and parents, Walter and Ella Gehrke.